

E. B. Quiner, *Watertown Register*, 1850-54; Mrs. Hiram A. Wright, a file of the *Prairie du Chien Patriot*, 1846-51; John Dougherty, a file of the *Oshkosh Democrat*, 1854-55; J. Crowley, *Menasha Advocate*, 1854-55; Gen. A. G. Ellis, *Stevens Point Pinery*, 1853-55; and Gov. Doty, a file of Dr. Philleo's *Galenian* for 1832, valuable as containing the current news of the Black Hawk War. Other early files of Wisconsin papers, preserved by members of our Society, residing at Milwaukee, Mineral Point, Kenosha, Appleton, Elkhorn and Portage City, in this State, and Easton, Pa., it is anxiously hoped will eventually find their way to our collections, and thus very materially enrich this invaluable department of our library.

The Society is in the regular receipt of sixty-eight publications, of which fifty-two are published in Wisconsin, and of this number, five are dailies, fifty-one weeklies, ten monthlies, or semi-monthlies, and one quarterly; and there are besides, at least seven Wisconsin weekly papers, preserved for the Society, at the offices of their publication—making a total of seventy-five publications carefully preserved for binding, and which will add largely to our already respectable collection of newspaper files. It is extremely desirable, that the newspaper editors and publishers of our State, who have not hitherto contributed their respective publications, should do so regularly and, if possible, from their commencement; and those persons who may possess old files, are earnestly requested to bestow them upon the Society. Let it be the pride of Wisconsin that we endeavor to possess a more complete series of newspapers of our own State, than does any similar Society of its State in the Union. Beginning thus early, if we but persevere unflinchingly, we can secure this desirable attainment.

During the past year, about two thousand pamphlets and documents have been received, making our whole collection number not far from three thousand. This kind of material is important, comprising history, statistics, orations, enlogies, speeches in Congress, catalogues, essays, and public documents—they form, in the